

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Each month one of our members is randomly selected and asked to share their ham radio biography with all of us. Questions or comments should go to Paul, KD2MX.

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## VLADO KOVACESKI, Z35M, #7883



Vlado, Z35M - NAQCC#7883 is almost 35 years on the air with more than 430,000 QSOs from a low profile station. Prefers CW on HF, often QRP and so far has more than 450 "Guerrilla QRP Portable" style of outdoor activations (ultra-light radio equipment weight, non- motorized access, autonomous power supply, objects found on the field used as antenna supports, natural shelters, minimizing the need for operator's comfort devices).

QRP portable and backpacking activities are from mountains, summits, national parks, castles, beaches and other interesting places with battery powered K1 max 5 W and wire vertical with ground radials or Inv-Vee link dipole, lifted on fiberglass pole or tree limb. Has tried pedestrian, bicycle, boat and car QRP mobile. From home QRP activities are with K2 and TS-480HX and single element antennas.

Initiated Summits, Flora and Fauna, Castles and Beaches on the air programs in Macedonia and founded the „Z3 Portable Group“.

Realized several Bicycle QRP mini- DXpeditions in Albania and Greece and was active QRP portable from Germany and Bulgaria.

In 2016 won the year-long "Field Flowers QRP Portable Marathon" with 142 QRP portable activations and 3736 QSOs.

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Was special guest in W5KUB's Amateur radio roundtable weekly TV show talking about "Guerrilla QRP Portable".

Has published the following QRP portable related articles in the CQ Amateur Radio:

"Flight of the QRP Bird ... or the Freedom of QRP", June 2012

"Bicycle QRP mini- DXpedition to Albania", June 2016

"Guerrilla QRP Portable", February 2017

